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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of

Charles Ay

Application No. 10/604,428

Filed July 21, 2003

RECESSED HANGING APPARATUS

Group Art Unit: 3632

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington D.C. 20231

Attention: Examiner

Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicant, by and through its undersigned attorney of record, discloses herewith, in conformance with his obligations under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, information of which he is aware which may be material to the patentability of the invention disclosed and claimed in the above cited application.

An embodiment of the invention disclosed and claimed in the patent application was

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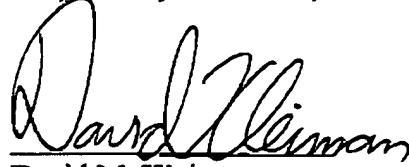
conceived and reduced to practice by the named inventor a number of years ago, sometime in the early 1990s. Prior to filing this application, the inventor used the invention on one occasion, believed to be some time during or near 1992, while camping for several days in a public camp site in the United States. During that time a park ranger observed and commented on the invention in the inventor's campsite. The only other persons who observed the invention in use were his son and wife who were camping with him.

The applicant also wishes to inform the Examiner of currently co-pending design patent application 29/186,709 for a hanging apparatus filed on July 21, 2003 by the same inventor.

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